

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH

A Catholic faith community called to serve God and others through Eucharist, prayer, education, and daily living of the Gospel values.

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## WEEKEND MASSES

**ST. JOHN CHURCH**  
1405 FIRST AVENUE  
SATURDAY 4:30 PM  
SUNDAY 10:30 AM

**HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**  
201 CLARK STREET  
SUNDAY 9:00 AM

**ADORATION HOLY TRINITY CHURCH**  
MONDAY- FRIDAY 12:30 - 4:30 PM

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
ST. JOHN CHURCH SATURDAY 3:30 PM

*March 5, 2017*

*1st Sunday of Lent*

## First of Two Lent Talks TODAY!

**11:30 AM - 1 PM    St John Undercroft**

### ***POPE FRANCIS JOY OF LOVE CONTROVERSY***

The Holy Father's apostolic exhortation of family life stresses mercy, compassion, and freedom of conscience. If you Google "Pope Francis Joy of Love Controversy" you can read why some have seen this as a threat to their understanding of traditional morality. This talk will analyze that controversy. Bring your questions and opinions. A light lunch will be served - no RSVP necessary. Please join us!



## **RCIA - The Rite of Sending**

**Our parish is celebrating the Rite of Sending at the 10:30 AM Mass today.**

This is a very significant step in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The desire of our catechumens and candidates to continue in the RCIA process is affirmed by their sponsors and they are 'sent' to celebrate the Rite of Election (*catechumens*) and the Call to Continuing Conversion (*candidates*).



The catechumens - now known as the *elect* - publically acknowledge their desire to receive the Sacraments of Initiation, and the candidates' their desire to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church. This ceremony will be celebrated this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception Church in Dayton.

**Who is responsible for the RCIA catechumens and candidates who are seeking to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church? WE ALL ARE!**

We are asked to pray for them, to give them good example and support. Bringing new members into the Church is part of what we are commissioned to do by Christ through our baptism.

**Our faith is a gift, not for us alone, but for all.  
It is for us to share!**

## **COMING EVENTS**



Confirmation Rehearsal ..... Sat Mar 11  
Daylight Savings Time Begins ..... Sun Mar 12  
Confirmation ..... Sun Mar 12  
Second of Two Lent Talk ..... Sun Mar 19  
Baptism Preparation Class ..... Wed Mar 22

## HOLY FAMILY MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday and Sunday - March 4 and 5

4:30 PM Mass SJ Walter & Mary Jane Diver  
 9:00 AM Mass HT Michael Rocco - Birthday Rem.  
 10:30 AM Mass SJ Andy Chartrand

### NOTE: SPECIAL LENT SCHEDULE

#### Monday, March 6

12:10 PM Mass HT Sherry Fishbaugh

#### Tuesday, March 7

8:15 AM Mass J23 Ralph & Frances Day - Wed Anniv Rem  
 12:10 PM Communion Service HT

#### Wednesday, March 8

12:10 PM Mass HT Alan Nori - Birthday Remembrance

#### Thursday, March 9

12:10 PM Mass HT Tony DePalma - Birthday Remembrance

#### Friday, March 10

8:00 AM Mass HT Eva Galeese  
 12:10 PM Communion Service HT

#### Saturday, March 11

8:00 AM Mass HT Cathy Janeway  
 4:30 PM Mass SJ John Jester - Anniversary Rem

#### Sunday, March 12 2nd Sunday of Lent

9:00 AM Mass HT Mr. T. S. Abeywardena  
 10:30 AM Mass SJ Oscar & Betty Koepfel - Wed Anniv Rem

### Weekly Collections Stewardship

Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> \$16,666

*Thank you for your generous stewardship!*

### MINISTERS NEXT WEEK

Mar 11/12	4:30 PM SAT	9:00 AM SUN	10:30 AM SUN
Eucharistic Ministers	Paul Presta 1B	Sherry Corrill 1B	Jane Romer 1B
	Dawn Pickerill 2B	Don Accurso 2B	Roger Romer 2B
	Ellen Krause 3B	Andrea Accurso 3B	Dominic Sberna 3B
	John Lyons 1C	John Lyons 1C	John Lyons 1C
	Frances Sack 2C	Mary Ann Long 2C	Kathi Mangus 2C
	Dan Sack 3C	Kathleen Wourms 3C	Laura Eiken 3C
	Carolyn Kraft 4C	Janet Chase 4C	Cort Eiken 4C
Lectors	Michael Paddock	Dan Mabry	Valerie Cross
	Cathie Mulligan	Beverly Mabry	Todd Moore
Servers	John Soppanish	Bruce Bray	Will Eiken
	Larry Nichols	Luke Bray	Matt Volle
Greeters	Dan Sack D1	Marilyn Abbot D1	Jane Romer D1
	Frances Sack D1	Mari Lynn Thurber D2	Roger Romer D1

## Daily Scripture Readings

Mon: Lv 19:1-2,11-18 / Mt 25:31-46  
 Tues: Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15  
 Wed: Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32  
 Thurs: Est C:12,14-16,23-25 / Mt 7:7-12  
 Fri: Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26  
 Sat: Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48  
 Sun: Gn 12:1-4a / 2 Tm 1:8b-10 / Mt 17:1-9



### Our Prayers and Sympathy are Extended

to Paul Mosko in the death of his mother, Connie Mosko, who died February 24<sup>th</sup>.

**In Your Prayers Remember** Darryl Boothe at Atrium Medical Center this week.

### Family member going into the hospital?

Please call us 422-0602 and let us know!

**We need your help** in ministering to parishioners who are ill or in need!



### Health Ministry:

#### Worry: The Ultimate Waste of Time



Worry is one of the most destructive daily habits with which so many of us struggle. Chronic worry may interfere with your sleep, job performance, relationships, and appetite and may contribute to short term memory loss, premature coronary disease, suppression of immune system and premature ageing. Sometimes, instead of reading a list of "medical fixes" for worry, we can learn from the wise and inspirational quotes of others.

- \* *Worry is a misuse of imagination.*
- \* *For peace of mind, resign as general manager of the universe.*
- \* *Worry often gives a small thing a big shadow.*
- \* *My life has been full of terrible misfortunes - most of which never happened.*
- \* *Worry is the interest paid on trouble before it comes due.*
- \* *No amount of regretting can change the past; no amount of worrying can change the future.*
- \* *Worry never robs tomorrow of its sorrow, it only saps today of its joy.*
- \* *Worry is like a rocking chair. It gives you something to do but never gets you anywhere.*
- \* *Don't worry about tomorrow. God is already there.*
- \* *Our worry ends when faith in God begins.*

## St. Vincent de Paul Meeting

The monthly SVDP meeting is scheduled for this Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.



## Gathering of Widows

Join other widows of the parish for support and community every first Tuesday morning of the month - this March 7<sup>th</sup> - at 11:00 a.m. Please call Carol Bishop (937) 746-9090 for more information.



## The Stations of the Cross & Benediction - Fridays in Lent 7 PM Holy Trinity Church

Join us at Holy Trinity Church at 7:00 p.m. every Friday evening during Lent for Stations of the Cross and Benediction. **Stations of the Cross in Spanish begin at 5:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity every Friday in Lent.**



## The Men's Fellowship Group

Men of the parish are invited to join for prayer and study every second and fourth Saturday of the month. The next meeting is this Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 a.m. - St. John Rectory.



## 8th Grade Confirmation Rehearsal

Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> 9 AM St. John Church  
Sponsors should attend if available!



## 8th Grade Confirmation

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> 2 PM St. Peter in Chains Cathedral  
325 West Eighth Street, Cincinnati 45202

*Please keep these young parishioners in your prayers!*

## Be on the LOOKOUT for this letter about our NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY!

We're really excited to be working with a new company - Universal Church Directories - for our parish photo directory this time.



In the next few days we'll be mailing this letter to every registered family, so be on the lookout! This letter explains several ways photography appointments can be scheduled, including: **1)** stopping by the sign-up tables after all of the Masses later this month and again in April or **2)** scheduling online Mondays through Fridays. You'll find the website and the church code and password to use for online scheduling at the bottom of this letter. **Photos will be taken Tues - Sat, May 23<sup>rd</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup> and Wed - Sat, May 31<sup>st</sup> - June 3<sup>rd</sup>.** Get ready to smile!

## Introductions to Sunday Readings

by Bishop Ken Untener, in collaboration with Catherine Haven and Fr. Bill Taylor



### First Reading - Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7

The account of the sin of Adam and Eve is a classic example of how everyone sins. The author recognized that there is a standard pattern: We toy with temptation...we fall...then we make excuses.

### Second Reading - Romans 5:12-19

Paul's letter to the Romans is his most detailed and important theological work. His purpose in this passage is not to teach about original sin, but to contrast Adam and Christ. From Adam we inherited a strong pull toward sin. From Christ (the "new Adam") we received a gift that is incomparably stronger: Divine grace.



## Annual Lenten Fish Fry Fridays

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### St. John Undercroft

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### Fridays in Lent

MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup> - APRIL 14<sup>TH</sup>

**Dine In or Carry Out ~ 5 to 7:30 PM**

Visit [council1610.org](http://council1610.org) for more information or call 513-360-4760!

## Daylight Savings Time begins Next Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>!

Be sure to set your clocks *ahead* one hour so that you won't be late for Mass next weekend!



SPRING AHEAD

## Baptism Preparation Class

Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> 7 PM

### St. John Rectory

If you are expecting your first baby or want your first child baptized we ask that you attend a baptismal preparation class, held quarterly throughout the year. The next baptismal preparation class is scheduled for Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the St. John Rectory. Please call the parish office 422-0602 to register.



## Creighton Online Ministries

### Praying Lent Options!

- Cooking Lent
- Lenten Book Groups
- Lenten Audio Retreats
- Looking at Marriage in Lent
- Helping Children with Lent
- Online Stations of the Cross
- Lenten Audio Conversations
- Pope Francis' Lenten Messages

Check it all out using this link  
<http://onlineministries.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/index.html>.



## Quiz for Lent (Find answers below!)

1. How many days are there in Lent?
2. What was the original meaning of the word "Lent"?
3. What is the first day of Lent called?
4. What do we call the day before Lent begins?
5. What color vestments does the priest wear during Lent?
6. What prayer of the Mass is omitted during Lent?
7. What word is never said or sung during Lent?
8. What snack originated during Lent because it contains only flour, water and salt?
9. What food was traditionally eaten the day before Lent begins?
10. What Irish saint's feast day takes place during Lent?
11. How do Italians celebrate the Feast of St. Joseph on March 19?
12. What important feast day occurs on March 25?
13. On what Sunday during Lent does the priest bless palms?
14. What event in the life of Jesus do the palms recall for us?
15. On what day during Lent does the Bishop bless holy oils for the year?



## Unbound - Freedom in Christ Seminar

Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup> 8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Our Lady of Good Hope 6 South Third Street, Miamisburg

Do you find yourself struggling with the same sin time after time, stuck in your spiritual growth, struggling with forgiveness or bound by negative patterns of thinking? The Unbound: Freedom in Christ Seminar will present 5 keys to greater freedom in your life - Repentance & Faith, Forgiveness, Renunciation, Authority and The Father's Blessing. The seminar is presented by the Dayton Unbound Team with some live talks and some talks on DVD by Neal Lozano, the creator of the Unbound Model. Prayer opportunities will also be provided throughout the day. Breakfast snacks and lunch will be provided. The cost is a donation. To register please visit [unbound-dayton-mar18.eventbrite.com](http://unbound-dayton-mar18.eventbrite.com). For more information email [unbounddayton@gmail.com](mailto:unbounddayton@gmail.com) or call 937-530-3151.



## The Choice Wine Live

### A Lenten Mission for Married Couples

Monday, March 20<sup>th</sup> St. Peter's Catholic Church, Dayton

Married couples have the unique opportunity to rediscover the joy and hope God intends for every marriage. Join Paradisus Dei founder Steve Bollman for "The Choice Wine Live," an inspiring evening event that will challenge and provoke couples to take the next step in their marriage, reestablishing their relationship with God and each other. To find out more and to register - *early bird discount through Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>* - visit <http://thechoicewine.org/the-choice-wine-live-dayton/>.



## Answers - Lent Quiz

1. 40
2. "Spring"
3. Ash Wednesday
4. Shrove Tuesday, Fat Tuesday or Mardi Gras
5. Purple
6. The Gloria
7. Alleluia
8. Pretzels
9. Hot cross buns
10. St. Patrick
11. St. Joseph's Table
12. The Feast of the Annunciation
13. Palm Sunday
14. The entrance into Jerusalem
15. Tuesday of Holy Week



## List of Recent 365 Lotto Winners

**\$1,000** - Victorino Monjaras Gaspar

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**\$ 100** - Elisa Jones, Janet Brune, Ryan & Leah Riegert, Jehmaine Wells, Ray Barger, Judy Kauscher, Mike & Pat Graf, Emily Muthert, Randy Johann, and Mary Lindeman

**\$ 40** - Helena Perry, Emrick Family, Russ Mittenholzer, Jennifer Drake, Nathan Overley, The Oligee Family, Angie Schneider, Tom & Rita Vocke, Rose Owens, Jennifer Wikins, Mary Kay Kowalski, Juli Larson, Mark Young, Fatima Rodriguez, Mary Anne Rossi, Timothy Jung, Sharon Garland, The Noone Family, Kevin Wray, Roger Hill, Cheryl Heise, Jane Kleinfelder, Jo Campbell, Sheree Young, Vickie Meehan, Carol Budai, Jo Perry, Marcia Reist, Brenden Walker & Ashely Frank, Ned Annable, Marlene Grabel, Bill Spade, Mike Baker, Jim & Erika Smith, Robert Brown, Shirley Hessler, Luke Espel, Jerome Oberjohann, Kyle Gray, Ed Walsh, Ginny & Herb Doty, Brian Williams, Wilma Kay, Tom & Chris Boyd, Gene & Fran Gelasi, Cindi Rosenbauer, Holly Baker, Aimee Kraemer, Tracy Harris, Susan Green, Donna Carroll, Tokarczyk Family, Kelly Morton, Leslie Buhr, Dave Harrison, Max Kiep, Gregory Rumpke, Russ & Chris Sponsol, Linda Hardin, Anna Korb, and Donna Metz

"365 LOTTO"  
365 Daily Prizes Will Be Awarded  
3 \$1,000.00 prizes on Easter, 4th of July & Christmas  
12 \$ 500.00 prizes on all first Mondays  
52 \$ 100.00 prizes on all Sundays  
299 \$ 40.00 prizes on remaining days of the year

## Healing a Heart ♥ Grief Support Groups

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Hospice Care of Middletown is proud to sponsor Healing a Heart Bereavement Support Groups. These groups are free, open to the community and focus on peer support, grief education, and the development of coping skills. **Pre-registration is required.**

To register, please call 424-CARE (2273).

#### Monday Evening Group

6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

March 20<sup>th</sup> - April 24<sup>th</sup>

#### Thursday Day Group

1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> - April 27<sup>th</sup>



Both groups meet at 3909 Central Avenue - the building directly behind Central Connections.

# St. John XXIII

## Catholic School

Pre-K to Grade 8

by Dawn Pickerill / Principal

### HISTORY

Two weeks ago, I wrote a brief synopsis of our history as a way to possibly encourage families to consider joining the St. John XXIII family. I, in no way, intended for this to be comprehensive, and I apologize if I offended anyone.

St. John XXIII was created in 1972 as a combined entity to serve all students in the area who were attending the local Catholic Schools of **Holy Trinity, St. John's, and St. Mary's**. The history of those preceding schools dates back to 1867, when organized classes were held inside the Holy Trinity Church run by Father Boulger and the Sisters of Charity for over 20 years. The cornerstone of the new school was laid in 1891 and finally in 1901, the Holy Trinity Commercial School was established by Father Buckley and Sister Higgins.

In 1880, at the request of Father Leitner of St. John's Church, the Sisters of St. Francis of Oldenburg came to open St. John's School to serve its growing parish community. In 1908, a new school building was built and, in addition to the grade school subjects, a Commercial Course was offered and an increasing number of high school subjects were added, so that three years of high school were offered. The teaching staff was increased to eight sisters.

On September 2, 1952, St. Mary's School opened a single story building operated by the Sisters of St. Francis. On September 8, 1959, construction of the second floor was ready for occupancy. In September, 1967, four new classrooms and two basement rooms were added to the building. In 1973, this building became the East Campus of St. John XXIII, housing grades K-4. In 1972, the three Catholic Schools in Middletown were consolidated to become St. John XXIII Catholic School. The lower grades were assigned to the East Campus (formerly St. Mary's School) and the upper grades were assigned to the West Campus (formerly St. John's School). The new singular school became the heart of the community's Catholic education and served as the beneficiary of the multi-parish, thriving area. In 2004, our formerly split-campus school, came under one roof with the purchase of our current location on Manchester Road.

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See other side for detailed information on Special Events, Speakers, Dates & Times

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Email: [midffest@siscom.net](mailto:midffest@siscom.net) - for speakers Bios and more information, visit [facebook.com/midffest](http://facebook.com/midffest)

- Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>** - Peace Filled Sunday 12 - 4 PM
  - Tuesday, March 7<sup>th</sup>** - Crisis in Africa & Middle East 6 PM
  - Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup>** - Abrahamic Religions: Visions of Peace Panel 6:30 PM
  - Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup>** - Experiencing Forgiveness 6:30 PM
  - Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup>** - Pathway to Peace Closing 6:30 PM
- For more information visit [facebook.com/midffest](http://facebook.com/midffest).

## Mark Your Calendars!

### Caregiver Wellness Workshop

**Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

**8:30 AM - 1:00 PM**

### Central Connections



Caregivers need moral support, stress relief, resources and networking. Spend the morning with us to get what you need. Lunch provided with 3.0 CEUs available for professionals. This event is co-sponsored by Hospice Care of Middletown, Central Connections, Haven Behavioral Hospital of Dayton and Catholic Charities Southwestern Ohio.

**Please RSVP by Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>** to Judy Vincent at [jvincent@hcmiddletown.org](mailto:jvincent@hcmiddletown.org) or 424-2273.

There will be time from 8:30 – 9:00 AM and during lunch to browse information tables.

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Book Sale

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This year's AAUW Annual Used Book Sale is located at 629B South Breiel Blvd near Great Clips in the Middletown Shopping Center. Please bring gently used books to recycle, promote literacy, and raise money for area college scholarships. If you'd like to arrange for a book pick-up call 424-5458, 424-1120 or 424-7551. This year's sale will be held March 30<sup>th</sup> - April 2<sup>nd</sup>. Watch future bulletins for times and special sales.

## Do You have a Home to Rent?



A young family is hoping to rent a home for six members - disabled husband, hardworking wife, college-aged children and blind mother-in-law. The home we currently rent is too small. The landlord is paid on time every month. If you can help us out, please call L. J. Bein 513-755-6998. Thank you!

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- Greeting our families during photography. (Social butterfly is my middle name!)
- Making photo session appointment reminder calls. (I don't get out much but I love to talk to people!)

Please call the parish office 422-0602 or email [monica@holymidletown.com](mailto:monica@holymidletown.com) if you can help!

**Thank you for your support!!**



# Holy Family Parish

## Pastor

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## Deacons

Bill Krumm.....513-649-4353

John Lyons.....422-0999

## Music Ministers

Marilyn Ifcic.....425-7113

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## Parish Maintenance

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Dawn Pickerill, Principal

## Parish Council Members

Don Accurso      Evan Dobrozsi

Jeff Gephart      Dale Gerber

Rick Gregosky      Tim Griffith

Ray Kelly      John Lyons

Matt Mulligan      Ryan Mulligan

Larry Nichols      Dawn Pickerill

Molly Rowe      Jim Stabler

## Prayer Chain

Beth Kast.....424-6100

Carole Orth.....423-7262

**Knights of Columbus**.....424-8500

**Baptism Preparation Class** - These classes are held quarterly: March, June, September and December. The actual date, time and location will be announced in the weekly bulletin. Please call the parish office to register.

**Baptisms** - Please call the parish office to schedule a baptism.

**Becoming Catholic** - Please call the parish office to find out more about the RCIA process.

**Bulletin Deadline** - Submit announcements in hard copy or to [monica@holymiddletown.com](mailto:monica@holymiddletown.com) by noon Tuesday.

**Hospitalization or Death in the Family** - Please notify the pastor as soon as possible by calling the parish office.

**Marriages** - Couples wishing to be married must set the date with the pastor at least six months in advance.

**Nursery** - The Nursery is available in the St. John Center during the Sunday 10:30 AM Mass.

**Parish Religious Education Program** - Preschool: Sundays 10:15 - 11:30 AM and K - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Mondays 6:30 - 7:30 PM.

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